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Customer No. 38263

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: *Perplies et al.*

Group Art Unit: 1623

Application No.: 10/524,455

Examiner: L. D. Bland

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For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING TEMPORARILY  
CROSS-LINKED CELLULOSE ETHERS

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Charlotte, North Carolina  
March 11, 2010

Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action dated December 10, 2009, please enter the following amendment and consider the remarks which follow. Also enclosed is a petition for one-month extension of time, extending the due date to April 10, 2010.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on Page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on Page 7 of this paper.